



**Z990G**

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## Setting Up Your Phone

You'll need to set up your ZTE Merit before you can explore all its great features.

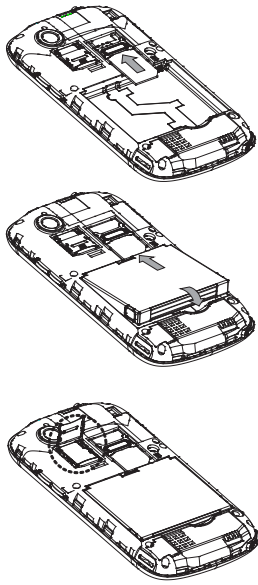
### Installing the SIM Card and Battery

Turn off your phone before installing or replacing the battery or SIM card.

- Remove the back cover.
- Slide the SIM card into the SIM card holder with the gold contacts on the card facing the phone.
- Insert the battery by aligning the gold contacts on the battery and those in the battery compartment. Gently push down on the battery until it clicks into place.
- Press the back cover gently into place until you hear a click.

### Installing the Memory Card

- Slide the slot protector upward to open it.
- Insert the memory card into the slot with the gold contacts on the card facing the phone.
- Close the slot protector and slide it down to lock it in place.
- Replace the back cover of the phone.



## Getting to Know Your Phone



**NOTE:** For easier texting, turn the phone to the horizontal position and use the landscape keyboard.

## Accessories

Recommended accessories for this phone are shown below (sold separately).



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## For Your Safety

### Radio Frequency (RF) Energy

This model phone meets the government's requirements for exposure to radio waves. This phone is designed and manufactured not to exceed the emission limits for exposure to radio frequency (RF) energy set by the Federal Communications Commission of the U.S. Government: The exposure standard for wireless mobile phones employs a unit of measurement known as the Specific Absorption Rate, or SAR. The SAR limit set by the FCC is 1.6W/kg. \*Tests for SAR are conducted using standard operating positions accepted by the FCC with the phone transmitting at its highest certified power level in all tested frequency bands. Although the SAR is determined at the highest certified power level, the actual SAR level of the phone while operating can be well below the maximum value. This is because the phone is designed to operate at multiple power levels so as to use only the power required to reach the network. In general, the closer you are to a wireless base station antenna, the lower the power output. The highest SAR value for the model phone as reported to the FCC when tested for use at the ear is 1.04 W/kg and when worn on the body, as described in this user guide, is 1.37 W/kg (Body-worn measurements differ among phone models, depending upon available enhancements and FCC requirements.) While there may be differences between the SAR levels of various phones and at various positions, they all meet the government requirement. The FCC has granted an Equipment Authorization for this model phone with all reported SAR levels evaluated as in compliance with the FCC RF exposure guidelines. SAR information on this model phone is on file with the FCC and can be found under the Display Grant section of <http://www.fcc.gov/oet/ea/fccid/> after searching on FCC ID: **Q78-Z990**.

For body-worn operation, this phone has been tested and meets the FCC RF exposure guidelines for use with an accessory that contains no metal and positions the handset a minimum of 0.6 inches (1.5 cm) from the body. Use of other enhancements may not ensure compliance with FCC RF exposure guidelines. If you do not use a body-worn accessory and are not holding the phone at the ear, position the handset a minimum of 0.6 inches (1.5 cm) from your body when the phone is switched on.

### FCC Compliance

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

**CAUTION:** Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the manufacturer could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

\*In the United States and Canada, the SAR limit for mobile phones used by the public is 1.6 watts/kg (W/kg) averaged over one gram of tissue. The standard incorporates a substantial margin of safety to give additional protection for the public and to account for any variations in measurements.

## For Your Safety (continued)

### Hearing Aids

People with hearing aids or other cochlear implants may experience interfering noises when using wireless devices or when one is nearby.

The level of interference will depend on the type of hearing device and the distance from the interference source, increasing the separation between them may reduce the interference. You may also consult your hearing aid manufacturer to discuss alternatives.

### Medical Devices

Please consult your doctor and the device manufacturer to determine if operation of your phone may interfere with the operation of your medical device.

### Hospitals

Switch off your wireless device when requested to do so in hospitals, clinics or health care facilities. These requests are designed to prevent possible interference with sensitive medical equipment.

### Aircraft

Switch off your wireless device whenever you are instructed to do so by airport or airline staff. Consult the airline staff about the use of wireless devices on board the aircraft. If your device offers a "flight mode," this must be enabled prior to boarding an aircraft.

### Interference in Cars

Please note that because of possible interference to electronic equipment, some vehicle manufacturers forbid the use of mobile phones in their vehicles unless a hands-free kit with an external antenna is included in the installation.

### Explosive Environments

**Gas Stations and Explosive Atmospheres**  
In locations with potentially explosive atmospheres, obey all posted signs to turn off wireless devices such as your phone or other radio equipment.

Areas with potentially explosive atmospheres include fueling areas, below decks on boats, fuel or chemical transfer or storage facilities, areas where the air contains chemicals or particles, such as grain, dust, or metal powders.

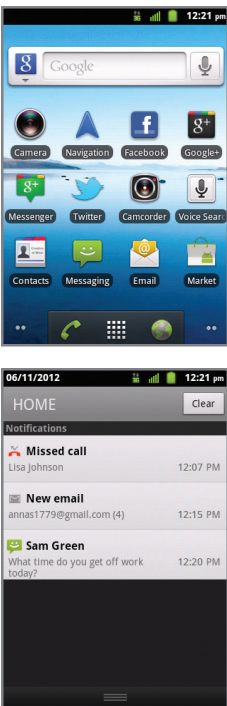
### Blasting Caps and Areas

Power off your mobile phone or wireless device when in a blasting area or in areas posted power off "two-way radios" or "electronic devices" to avoid interfering with blasting operations.

## Touch Screen and Navigation

Your phone features a capacitive touch screen, so you can gently tap, quickly swipe, or pinch with two fingers to navigate.

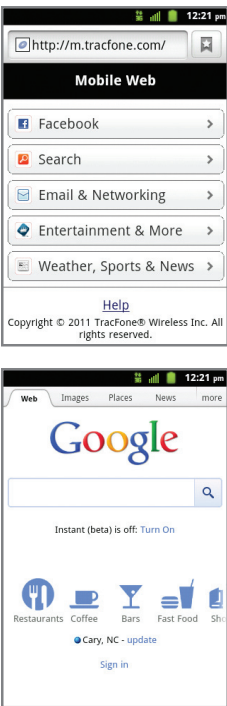
- Lightly tap the buttons, icons, or applications on the screen with your fingertip.
- Press and hold your finger on an item to see available options.
- Quickly flick the screen to scroll up, down, left or right.
- Pinch with two fingers or double-tap the screen to zoom in on a web page or a gallery image.
- The status bar across the top of the screen notifies you of new messages, emails, missed calls, calendar reminders, etc. Tap and flick the bar down to see more details. Flick up or press the **Back Key** to close the bar.
- Back Key:** Return to the previous screen.
- Home Key:** Return to the home screen.
- Menu Key:** Get the options for the current screen.
- Find all your applications.**



## Internet

Access the Internet with the full HTML web browser, just like on a PC!

- From the home screen, tap
- Tap the address bar. Enter the web address you want to visit and tap **Go**.
- Swipe up or down on the screen to scroll and tap links to open them. Double-tap the screen or pinch with two fingers/spread them apart to zoom in and zoom out.
- Press to view options. You can open new browser windows and switch among them, refresh the current page, manage bookmarks, and more.



**NOTE:** This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

## Road Safety

### Driving

Full attention must be given to driving at all times in order to reduce the risk of an accident. Using a phone while driving (even with a hands-free kit) can cause distraction and lead to an accident. You must comply with local regulations restricting the use of wireless devices while driving.

### Operating Machinery

Full attention must be given to operating the machinery in order to reduce the risk of an accident.

## Product Handling

### General Statement on Handling and Use

You alone are responsible for how you use your phone and any consequences of its use. You must always switch off your phone wherever the use of a phone is prohibited. Use of your phone is subject to safety measures designed to protect users and their environment.

- Always treat your phone and its accessories with care and keep it in a clean and dust-free place.
- Do not expose your phone or its accessories to open flames or lit tobacco products.
- Do not expose your phone or its accessories to liquid, moisture, or high humidity.
- Do not drop, throw, or try to bend your phone or its accessories.
- Do not use harsh chemicals, cleaning solvents, or aerosols to clean the device or its accessories.
- Do not paint your phone or its accessories.
- Do not attempt to disassemble your phone or its accessories; only authorized personnel can do so.
- Do not expose your phone or its accessories to extreme temperatures; minimum 23° F and maximum 122° F (minimum -5° C and maximum +50° C).

## Calling and Voicemail

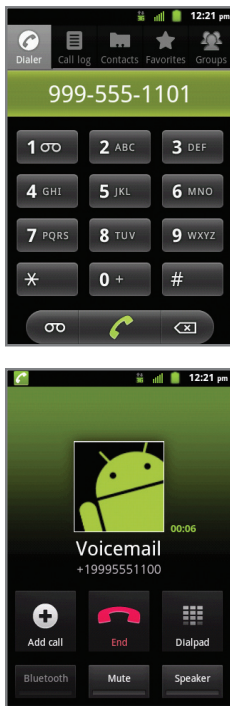
Call friends and family and check voicemail in just a few simple steps.

### Making a Call

- From the home screen, tap .
- Dial the number you want to call and tap to place the call.

### Checking Voicemail

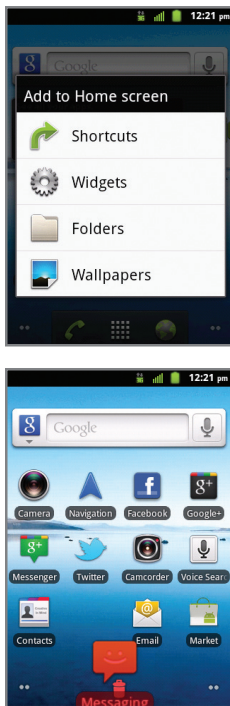
- From the home screen, tap .
- Press and hold the **1 Key**.
- Follow the voice prompts to listen to your voice messages.



## Customizing Home Screens

Add shortcuts and widgets or change wallpapers to make the phone your own!

- Press and hold a blank area of the home screen and you will get four options.
  - Shortcuts:** Add shortcuts for applications, web bookmarks, music playlists, contacts, and more to the home screen.
  - Widgets:** Add dynamic widgets to the home screen, so you can use certain functions without opening the full application.
  - Folders:** Add folders to organize shortcuts, contacts, and files.
  - Wallpapers:** Choose a personalized wallpaper as your home screen background.
- Tap an option and follow instructions.
- To move a widget, shortcut, or folder, press and hold it and drag it to a new location. To delete it, press and hold it and drag it to .



## Email

Access your Gmail, corporate email, and personal email wherever you are!

### Setting Up Gmail

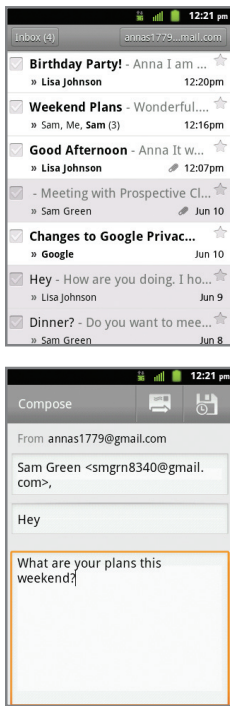
- From the home screen, tap .
- Tap **Next**.
- Tap **Create** if you do not already have a Gmail account. Otherwise, tap **Sign in**.
- Enter your username and password and tap **Sign in**.
- Choose a backup option and tap **Next** > **Finish setup**. You will be taken to your inbox.

### Setting Up Other Email Accounts

- From the home screen, tap .
- Enter your email address and password and tap **Next**.
- Follow additional on-screen instructions to complete the setup. Tap **Done**. You will be taken to your inbox.

### Sending an Email

- From the home screen, tap or > .
- Press and tap **Compose**.
- Select your recipient, write your message, and tap **Send** or .



- Please check local regulations for disposal of electronic products.
- Do not carry your phone in your back pocket as it could break when you sit down.

### Small Children

Do not leave your phone and its accessories within the reach of small children or allow them to play with it. They could hurt themselves or others, or could accidentally damage the phone. Your phone contains small parts with sharp edges that may cause an injury or may become detached and create a choking hazard.

### Demagnetization

To avoid the risk of demagnetization, do not allow electronic devices or magnetic media close to your phone for a long time.

### Electrostatic Discharge (ESD)

Do not touch the SIM card's metal connectors.

### Antenna

Do not touch the antenna unnecessarily.

### Normal Use Position

When placing or receiving a phone call, hold your phone to your ear, with the bottom toward your mouth.

### Air Bags

Do not place a phone in the area over an air bag or in the air bag deployment area.

Store the phone safely before driving your vehicle.

### Seizures/Blackouts

The phone can produce a bright or flashing light.

### Repetitive Stress Injuries

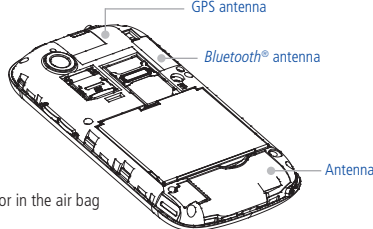
To minimize the risk of RSI when texting or playing games with your phone:

Do not grip the phone too tightly.

Press the buttons lightly.

Use the special features which are designed to minimize the times of pressing buttons, such as Message Templates and Predictive Text.

Take lots of breaks to stretch and relax.

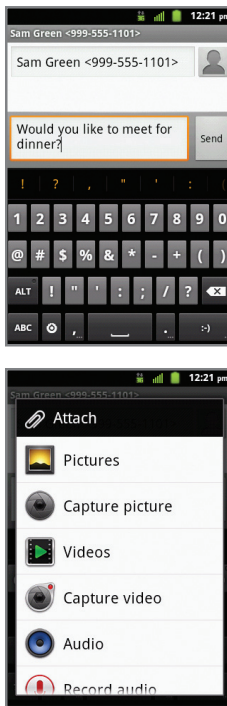


## Text Messaging

Send text messages to other mobile phones and to email addresses to communicate privately and quickly.

- From the home screen, tap .
- Tap **New message**.
- Enter the recipient's number or begin typing the recipient's name. Tap the name to select it.
- Tap the **Type to compose field** and type your message.
  - Press to insert Quick Text, a signature, a smiley, or a contact.
  - To send an MMS, press , tap **Attach**, and tap an attachment type.
- Tap **Send** to send your text.

**Please don't text and drive.**



**NOTE:** When entering text, turn the phone to a horizontal position to use the landscape keyboard.

## Address Book

Keep the contact information of your favorite people in the address book. You can even sync all your contacts to an online server!

### Adding a Contact

- From the home screen, tap .
- Tap or press and tap **New contact**.
- Tap each field to enter contact information. Tap to add a new field; tap to remove a field.
- Tap **Done** to save the contact.

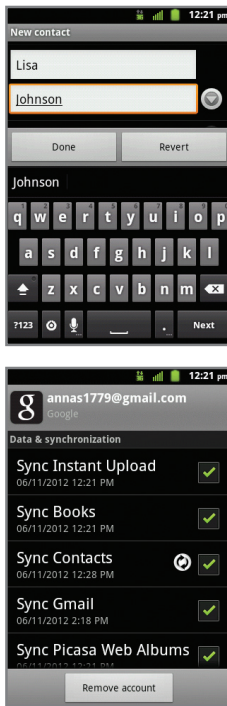
### Syncing the Address Book to Google

Sign in to your Google account on the phone and you will be able to sync address book, calendar events, Gmail, and Picasa™ web album.

- From the home screen, press and tap **Settings** > **Accounts & sync**.
- Tap your Google account.
- Make sure that the check box next to **Sync Contacts** is checked.

**NOTE:** You can add a recent call to the Address Book. Find the number in **Call log**, press and hold the number, and select **Add to contacts** to create a new contact or add the number to an existing contact.

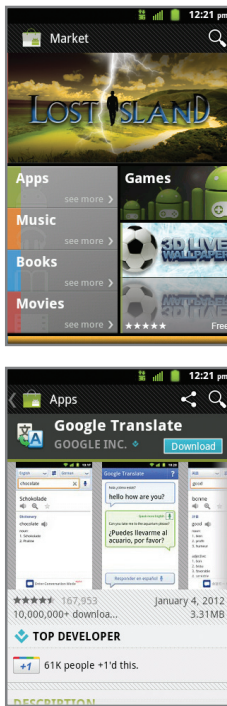
Tap **Auto-sync** in the **Accounts & sync** menu to enable automatic synchronization.



## Android™ Market

There are tens of thousands of games and applications in Android Market. You can download and install them in a few easy steps. Before you begin, make sure that you are signed in to your Google account.

- From the home screen, tap .
- Read the Terms of Service and tap **Accept**.
- Find the apps you need either by category or by tapping .
- Tap the app to see more information about it.
  - For free apps, tap **Download**.
  - For paid apps, tap the price.
- Tap **Accept & download**.
- Your phone will download and install the app automatically. You can check the progress in the Notification Panel.



The app has been successfully installed when the icon appears in the status bar. To access the app from the home screen, tap . The app will be in alphabetical order with the other apps.

### Emergency Calls

This phone, like any wireless phone, operates using radio signals, which cannot guarantee connection in all conditions. Therefore, you must never rely solely on any wireless phone for emergency communications.

### Loud Noise

This phone is capable of producing loud noises, which may damage your hearing. Turn down the volume before using headphones, Bluetooth® stereo headsets or other audio devices.

### Phone Heating

Your phone may become warm during charging and during normal use.

## Electrical Safety

### Accessories

Use only approved accessories.

Do not connect with incompatible products or accessories.

Take care not to touch or allow metal objects, such as coins or key rings, to contact or short-circuit in the battery terminals.

### Connection to a Car

Seek professional advice when connecting a phone interface to the vehicle electrical system.

### Faulty and Damaged Products

Do not attempt to disassemble the phone or its accessories.

Only qualified personnel can service or repair the phone or its accessories.

If your phone or its accessory has been submerged in water, punctured, or subjected to a severe fall, do not use it until you have taken it to be checked at an authorized service center.

## Interference

### General Statement on Interference

Care must be taken when using the phone in close proximity to personal medical devices, such as pacemakers and hearing aids.

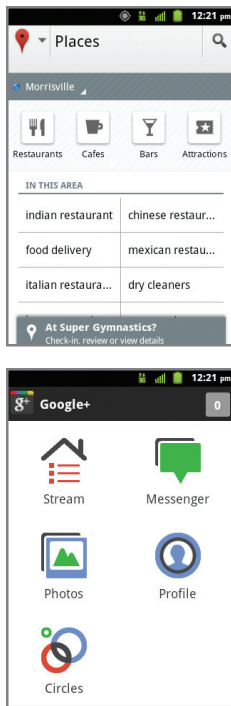
### Pacemakers

Pacemaker manufacturers recommend that a minimum separation of 6 inches (15 cm) be maintained between a mobile phone and a pacemaker to avoid potential interference with the pacemaker. To achieve this, use the phone on the opposite ear to your pacemaker and do not carry it in a breast pocket.

## Using Your Google™ Applications

Google provides a number of free applications that come pre-installed on your ZTE Merit.

- Access your email from Google and enjoy threaded message view with Gmail™
- Read books from Google's digitized library—free of charge. Select from millions of available titles with Google Books™
- Schedule appointments, meetings, and other events with Google Calendar™
- Chat with your friends in real time with Google Talk™
- Find detailed information about local businesses—including contact information, hours of operation, and driving directions—with Google Places™
- Get spoken, turn-by-turn GPS directions with Google Maps Navigation™
- Find out when your friends are nearby with Google Latitude™
- Stay up to date with your social network using Google+™



## Camera

Take pictures and record videos right from your phone with the camera and camcorder and then share them with friends and family.

- From the home screen, tap > and rotate the phone to a horizontal position.
- Adjust camera settings, such as zoom, brightness, contrast, and saturation, by tapping the translucent buttons on the right side of the viewfinder. Tap to take a picture.
- When you're finished, tap the thumbnail image in the upper right corner of the screen to view your picture.
- Tap **Share**. You can post the picture on Twitter® Facebook® Picasa online album, or Orkut, or you can send it through messaging.



**NOTE:** Use > to switch to camcorder. Then tap to start recording video and to stop.

## Connectivity

Connect to a Wi-Fi® network or pair with other Bluetooth® devices.

From the home screen, press and tap **Settings** > **Wireless & networks**.

### Connecting to Wi-Fi

- Tap **Wi-Fi** to turn Wi-Fi on.
- Tap **Wi-Fi settings** and then tap the Wi-Fi access point you wish to connect to. You may need to enter a password.
- Tap **Connect**.

### Using Bluetooth

- Tap **Bluetooth** to turn Bluetooth on.
- Tap **Bluetooth settings** > **Scan for devices**.
- Tap the name of the device you want to pair and connect with.

